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BEARING

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2002. A Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), for a one-month extension of time, is also submitted herewith. A marked-up copy of the amendments is attached, with deletions indicated by brackets and additions indicated by underlining.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 2 and 4 as follows:

2. (Amended) A bearing unit comprising a magnetic bearing which supports a rotatable shaft in a non-contact condition, and a rolling bearing which does not support the rotatable shaft while the magnetic bearing supports the rotatable shaft, wherein the rolling bearing is arranged to be connected in the axial direction to the rotatable shaft for supporting the rotatable shaft upon rotation stoppage, the rolling bearing comprising a double row, angular ball bearing and provided on the side where thrust load is received or on the side where positioning in the axial direction is carried out, the double row, angular